

# Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

*Absolutely not. For most people, this is unnecessary.  
This is excessive gov't interference.*

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

*unscrupulous dealers, pushing aids on people, or in my case, waiting forever in limbo in the HMO system while my tim-tus was driving me nuts!! Heh, I can do my own research, I know what I need(ed).*

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

NO

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

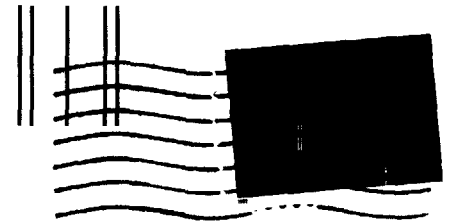
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